

MS 151 (Biography)

Title: Lawāqihū 'l-'anwār fī ṭabaqāti 'l-'akhyār

Author: (Abū l-Mawāhib) 'Abdalwāhhāb b. Aḥmad b.
'Alī ash-Sha'rānī (d.973/1565)

Date: Not stated; early 18th century

Brockelmann G.II.444₄₃: S.II.466₄₃.

Biographies of Muslim saints and Ṣūfīs. Volume I of three.

Folios 247, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on coarse, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 30 cm.) in neat, close Maghribī, substantially vocalized, with many orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; no annotations. Dates of deaths of saints, etc., often given in the margin in black. Simple 'Unwān on flyleaf. Note of former ownership dated 1195 A.H. Bound in brown leather-covered boards, spine and flap missing. Leather of back cover missing. Tooled medallia on front cover.

Begins:

وبعد فوزه بالقبول عظمى ذكرت فيرا . . .

Ends:

وسلم تسليمنا كثيرا الى يوم الدين . . . رب العالمين

MS 152 (Law)AN INCOMPLETE AND UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON
A WORK ON FAMILY AND MARRIAGE LAW

This large Commentary is paginated from page 87. The first faṣl is on "Bayān badālī 'sh-shiqṣ"; it is certain that there is a large portion missing from the beginning.

Folios 218, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 35 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to average 30 cm.) in small, legible Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Quotations introduced by qauluhu in red and first words of Commentary overlined in red. A few marginal annotations. Rubrics written in large red letters. Waterstained throughout. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Bound in marbled boards, orange cloth on spine, no flap.

Begins only at:

... في ان الشئ يدع الشئ المشتري

Ends only at:

قوله فيبقى المصوم ... رمضان

MS 153 (Biography)

Title: Sīratu 'l-Iskandar Dhi 'l-Qarnain

Author: Abū Ishāq Ibrāhīm b. al-Mufarrij aṣ-Ṣūrī

(fl. ca. 900/1495)

Date: Not stated; probably early 19th century

Brockelmann G.II.71 : S.II.58

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A good, complete copy.

Folios 450, 9 x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 33 cm.) in clear, but inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Headings and rubrics in red; no annotations. Statement of former ownership in folio 1 dated 1295/1878. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 (omits Article from al-Iskandar). Quires loose within brown leather-covered boards, tooled medallia, with flap; within a case of red leather, overlaid with marbled paper, with flap.

Begins:

فقد قال الشيخ الحارث، أبو اسحاق، بن منيع الصوري

Ends:

وقيل انه مات في سنة وثلاثين سنة

MS 154 (Music)

Title: Rauḍu 'l-Masarrāt fi 'ilmi 'n-Naghamāt

Author: 'Uthmān b. Muḥammad al-Jundī

Date: Not stated; 19th century

The author makes reference to verses composed by himself in 1290/1873; deals with rhythm, beat, etc. An attractive manuscript, very well planned and executed.

Folios 64, $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, within a border of two red lines and one blue, $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$ in. Written in excellent, calligraphic Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs, except for quotations. Headings and rubrics in red; no annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Folios loose within stout leather-covered boards, no flap. Insides of covers of blue and red marbled paper. Leather with gilt tooled designs (crowns, star, crescent, etc.).

Begins: نيقول النقيري ربه الخضر المبدى عثمان بن محمد البندى انى كنت ممن ماموا
بالعبادة

Ends: فزوسيد الناس من باح الانام من ضيا التوقيع

MS 155 (Treatises)

A COLLECTION OF 45 TREATISES IN ARABIC & PERSIAN

This is simply entitled "Rasā'il Mustaqilla" in the Colophon, and was collected apparently by Bāqir al-asfahānī (sic) b. Muḥammad Taqī b. Muḥammad Bāqir b. Muḥammad Taqī in 1321/1903, but the folios are at least a century older.

ics & medicine, belles lettres, morals, Quranic science, interpretation of traditions, grammar.

Folios 505, $12\frac{1}{4} \times 7$ in; in single columns of average 35 lines to page, within a border of gold and black lines, $10\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in. Written on off-white, waxed, vertically-laid paper in many different hands (Naskhī & Nasta'liq), mainly unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Many glosses and annotations in margins; headings and rubrics in red. Many pages subdivided by red lines; in some rasā'il writing is complete within squares. Writing diagonal in many pages. No 'Unwān; Fihrist and Colophon in folio 1. Bound in thick red leather-covered boards, with tooled designs along edges, no flap.

Begins:

تا مویای بدایع خایع اوقات هراء قدر

Ends:

(Illegible) ؟

MS 156 (Philology)

Title: Yatīmatu 'd-dahr fī maḥāsin 'ahli 'l-'aṣr

Author: Abū Mansūr 'Abdalmalik b. Muḥammad b. Ismā'īl
ath-Tha'ālibī (d.429/1038)

Date: 1281/1864

Brockelmann G.I.337: S.I.499.

This is Parts I & II of the work. An attractive and well-planned copy.

Folios 289, $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of average 24 lines to page, within a border of gold, black and blue lines, $9 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$ in. Written on heavily waxed, thin matt paper in calligraphic Naskh, unvocalized, with few orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; quotations within red lines throughout. A few marginal annotation in red. Red line $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from edges of pages throughout. Sections numbered in top left or right hand of folios. Simple 'Unwān in red in folio 1a. Bound within stout, red leather-covered boards, simple tooled designs on covers, no flap.

Begins:

فان ماسن اسماء، الادب، كثيرة ونكتها قليلة

Ends:

ونغر الفتي بالقول، لا بنشيد. . . ويروى فلان مرة وفلان

MS 157 (Stories)

Title: (Translation) Qissa 'ādalāida al-inklīzīya

Translator: Not stated; probably Yūsuf Ṣaifī

Copyist: Yūsuf Saifī

Date: Not stated; 19th century

A series of short episodes concerning various characters; apparently of Italian origin. From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II); the first folio of the Muqaddima is missing.

Folios 138, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, matt paper in clear Syrian Naskh, sparsely vocalized, with many orthographic signs. Titles in black; no annotations. In seven fuṣūl. No 'Unwān. Bound in pale red boards, deep red leather on spine, no flap.

Begins only at:

النافعة ونرايد كالغرايد اللامعة

First Story begins at:

كان ني مملكة سوتسيا من بلاد الانكليز امير على
مقاطعة سوري

Ends:

الى ان اتاهم هادم اللذات وفضق الجماعات

MS 158 (Philology)

Title: 'Aqṣa 'l-'amānī

Author: Zainaddīn Zakariyā al-Anṣārī (d.926/1520)

Copyist: 'Abdallatīf Muḥammad Nāsir

Date: 1091/1680

Brockelmann G.II.124₂₀.

An abridgement of "Talkhīṣu 'l-miftāḥ fī 'ilmi 'l-ma'ānī wa'l-bayān" (Brockelmann G.I.353: S.I.516) by Jamāladdīn al-Qazwīnī. Al-Qazwīnī's first name is spelled Jalāladdīn.

Folios 24, $7\frac{1}{2}$ x $5\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 24 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper of the 17th century in excellent Naskh, unvocalized, with few orthographic signs. Lemmas in red; some marginal annotations in various hands. Very well preserved. Simple 'Unwān on flyleaf in modern hand. Bound in lilac marbled boards, brown leather on spine, no flap.

Begins: فقد كنت اختصرت تلخيص المفتاح في علم المعاني والبيان البديع

Ends: قال مؤلفه شيخ ... الانصارى ... سنة اثنتي عشرة وتسعمائة وثلثمائة ...
الله ... محمد ...

MS 159 (Theology)

Title: Ma'rifatu 'l-'uṣūl fī rad'i 'l-jahūl
 Author: Maṣṣūr b. Ilyās Shāhīn al-Lubnānī
 Date: 1857 A.D.

A Christian theological essay, containing numerous Old and New Testament references. Substantial amounts of the text are scored through and a revised text in another hand placed in the margin. Some of the revised text has also been scored through and replaced.

It is possible that this is an Arabic version of a Syriac work. From the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II).

Folios 23, 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 27 lines to page, no border. Written on good matt paper in clear Syrian Naskh (revised text in clear, bold Ruq'a), unvocalized, few orthographic signs. Margins of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Rubrics in red. Three blank folios at end. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Bound in marbled paper, red leather on spine, no flap.

Begins (scored text):

نقد وفقاً لهذا الاثنى على كبرية يترا

Begins (revised text) فيقول السيد الحاجز الضحى الناني الذي الشرق الاورثودوكسي

Ends:

منصور ولكي من يحمي نفسه شرنا تأخذه الخيرة عليه

MS 160 (History)

Title: Ta'rikh mulūk 'āl bait 'Uthmān

Author: Not stated

Date: 1259/1837

A complete, well-planned history of the Ottoman Sultans from 'Uthmān in 1300 A.D. to the writer's own time. Only brief historical notes are provided for the early Sultans, but for the later centuries the writer gives fairly full notes. Folios 36a ff. contain the history of Shaikh Dāhir al-'Umar, Governor of Akka.

Folios 49, 7 x 5 in; in single columns of 18 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper, in good Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, some orthographic signs. Headings and rubrics in red; no annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1a. Bound in stout boards, decorated with hunting scenes, brown leather on spine, no flap.

Bégins:

ابتدى زبان تواريخم وفي اس جرة كانت اقامتهم واساميتهم

Ends:

لا بد عن سرورنا بالامتياز وذلك من بدو ظروره

MS 161 (Hadīth)

Title: al-'arba'ūn

Author: Abu 'l-Qāsim Zaid b. 'Abdallāh b. Mas'ūd al-
Hāshimī (fl. 5th century A.H.)

Date: Not stated; probably 18th century

Brockelmann S.I.699.

The work is actually entitled, just before the "Bismillāh",
"Kitāb khutba resūl Allāh", but all the forty traditions are given

Folios 20, $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$ in; in single columns of 13 lines to page,
no border. Written on coarse, off-white, oriental matt paper, in
clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics
in black, overlined in red; no annotations. Last 3 folios con-
tain miscellaneous material. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1a. Folios
glued within white paper covers, no flap.

Begins: قال الشريف أبو القاسم زيد ابن عبد الله ابن المسعود النخعي

Ends: فاحذروا بمثل ما جاء بي

MS 162 (Stories)

A COLLECTION OF SHORT STORIES ILLUSTRATING "AL-BUKHL"

A small group of stories or anecdotes about famous Muslims, beginning with Hārūn ar-Rashīd and al-Faḍl b. Yahyā, each having reference to "al-bukhl".

Folios 20, 7-20 blank, 8 x 6 in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced matt paper in clear Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in black; no annotations. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Folios unbound.

Begins:

و ان دارك انتبخت ثم احتشت ابرا

Ends:

فلما انتبخت وجدت الفراش ملوثا ولم اجد شيئا من المال

MS 163 (Maqāmat)

Title: Majma'u 'l-bahrain

Author: Nāṣir al-Yazījī (d.1871)

Date: Not stated; 19th century

Brockelmann S.II.766 .

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The second Maqāma (al-Hijāziya) lacks the ending, while there is only about one-quarter of the third (al-'Aqīqiya). From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II).

Folios 17, 6 - 17 blank, $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$ in. (folios 1-5) and $9\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$ in. (folios 7-17); in single columns of 18 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced matt paper, in good bold Naskh, sparsely vocalized, with a few orthographic signs. Titles in black; no annotations. No 'Unwān. Folios loose within white paper covers, no flap.

Begins (1st Maqāma) سكى سزىل بن عباد قال ملكت الاقامة فى الديار

Ends (3rd Maqāma) only at: وفل عن يم يجعل الولدان شيئا ثم فاضت عيناه

MS 164 (Poetry)

AN UNIDENTIFIED BIOGRAPHICAL POEM

The poet addresses some of his own people, himself apparently far from home. Incomplete at both ends, the poetry is of simple 17th or 18th century style. From the Yūsuf Saifī Library

(see on MS 58, Fascicle II), probably 18th century.

Folios 27, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of average 15 lines to page, no border. Written on chalky, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to the inch) in several Naskhī hands, unvocalized, with a few orthographic signs. No rubrics, annotations, 'Unwān or Colophon. Folios sewn within green paper covers, no flap.

Begins only at: عود لسانك على الالام الطيب والفخر من طريق الدنيا انبيها

Ends only at: ادون من ان يرن على للندال فضل ومنه

MS 165 (Medicine)

Title: Raihānastu 'l-'arwāh

Author: Ibrāhīm aṭ-Ṭabīb al-Halabī (known as Ibn al-Hanakī)

Date: Not stated; probably late 18th century

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), the work is described as a Risāla. It is a medical tract and contains many verses which are 'memoria technica.

Folios 17, $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$ in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, in clear Syrian Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthographic signs.

Prose and verse alternate, separated by the letter *Mīm* throughout. No rubrics or annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Miscellaneous material at the end. Water-stained in early folios. Bound in green paper covers, no flap.

Begins:

الرسالة التي استوعبها العالم الفاضل ابراهيم الطيب المحلي

Ends:

كان يعمل الي ان انتقل الى رحمة الله تعالى

MS 166 (Dīwān)

Title: Dīwān Abū Firās (d.356/967)

Editor: Abū 'Abdallāh al-Husain b. Muḥammad b. 'Aḥmad
b. 'Aḥmad b. Khālawayh an-Nahwī (d.370/980)

Copyist: Rizq 'Allāh b. Ḥassūn al-Ḥalabī (as for MS 23)

Date: 1292/1874

Brockelmann G.I.89 : S.I.144 .
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very beautiful, complete copy.

Folios 72, 12 x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in; in double columns of 18 lines to page, within a panel of gold and blue, with decorated design on top containing the page number in a circle of blue lines, 8 x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Written on thin, western, watermarked chalky matt paper, in beautiful calligraphic Naskh, largely unvocalized, with some orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; no annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Flyleaves of yellow paper. Bound in strong brown, leather-covered boards, no flap, with "THE POEMS OF ABU FERĀS" printed (gilt) on spine.

Begins: قال الشاعر في تروية أبي فراس، وأبو فراس المبرك، بن أبي العلاء سعيد بن
سعدان، وإن فريد دوره.

Ends: ومن كان يرأسه فانا، رزقه فللذل منه لا مسألة بانه.

MS 167 (Precepts)

Title: Kitāb Taqbiḍ

Author: al-Imām al-Wāfi

Date: 1302/1884

The precepts include moral, religious, medical & diotetic advice, based on old authorities; some of the precepts involve acceptance of magic. Each precept is classed as a Fā'ida.

Folios 39, 9 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper (with horizontal layer at varying intervals) in clear, but inelegant Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Headings in magenta; some marginal annotations. Simple 'Unwān in magenta within double magenta lines in folio 1. Bound in black & lilac marbled boards, red leather on spine, with flap.

Begins:

اذكر لاه في علم التدبير ما احدثه عن بعض الاشياخ

Ends:

وولى الله على سيدنا ... من خانه وسلم تسليما كثيرا

MS 168 (Discourses)

Title: Daf'u 'l-Hamm

Author: Elias bar Shināyā (d.ca.1050 A.D.)

Date: Not stated; 18th century

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), deals with mental, moral and religious virtues. Incomplete at end, most of chapter 8 being missing. Elias was Metropolitan of Nisībīis in the 11th century A.D.

Folios 88, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 6 in; in single columns of 18 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 28 cm.) in clear, inelegant large Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Section headings in large black letters, rubrics and other headings in red; no annotations. One of very few volumes having a well preserved seal of Yūsuf Saifī. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1a. Bound in red and beige marbled boards, red leather on spine, no flap.

Begins: لما انت الزموم بتدر الزموم والفرج والسور بتدر النعم

Ends only at: وقد الصلوات الرنيه بحاي هذا العدد (باشرا)

MS 169 (Maqāmāt)

THREE ASSOCIATED WORKS IN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 5a-132a Title: Maqāmāt
 Author: Abū Muḥammad al-Qāsim b. 'Alī b.
 Muḥammad al-Ḥarīrī (d.516/1122)
 Copyist: 'Abdalqādir b. Ḥafiz b. Zama'il b.
 Ahmad b. Maḥmūd
 Date: 1051/1641

Brockelmann G.I.325: S.I.486 .
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The Sessions, with Glosses by Abu 'l-Fath Nāsir b. 'Abdassayyid al-Mutarrizī (d.610/1213) - Brockelmann G.I.352 : (S.I.514). This copy, if the information contained therein is reliable, is unusually valuable. It is claimed that the copy was made from a MS copied from the autograph of al-Harīrī and his son (folio 5a, 176a). The copy from which this was made was by Salāh b. Ahmad al-Muhallā.

2. Folios 182a-185 TWO RISĀLAS ASCRIBED TO AL-HARĪRĪ
of the above date and by the same
copyist.

The first Risāla consists of a short prose piece and nine lines of poetry; the second, it is alleged, was written to Abū Talha b. Muḥammad and is longer, containing 12 lines of poetry.

3. Folios 185a-196 Title: Mina 'l-maqāmati 'z-zeiniya (al-Jazariya)
Author: Shamsaddīn Abu 'n-Nadr Ma'add b. Nasrallāh al-Jazarī (d.701/1301)

Date: 1051/1641

Brockelmann G.II.205 : S.II.199 .
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This comprises excerpts from his Maqāmāt.

Folios 200, 9 x 5 in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper of various colours, in excellent Naskh, fully vocalized throughout and with all the orthographic signs; the three works have the same format and are by the same scribe. Extensive interlinear and marginal annotations and glosses. Rubrics in red. Many margins repaired, but excellently preserved. Four folios at beginning and three at end of stained brown paper, containing various comments. Simple 'Unwāns in folios 2 and 5a. Bound in stout black western boards, with gold lines along edges and on spine, title HURREENI (gilt) on spine, no flap.

1. Begins: اذا رمتعدا للمقامات دأكه باسمائها اربالمفات الموالية

Ends: وانت هذه غاتمة القلبي (followed by the Colophon of
Abū Muḥammad al-Qāsim b. 'Alī which ends:-

على سيدنا محمد وآله وصحبه وسلم

2. Begins: وقال ايها هذه الرسالة على لسان جده اسدتيه في ارضى برى

Ends: وتشريفه ابشير البشر وشين المعشر

3. Begins: ثم انرا حالت في شبح التلق وحالت وسالت سيوف اذلالها

Ends: والدر تسكب والمخاني تسبك

MS 170 (Grammar, Mu'allagāt, Poetry)

FOUR WORKS IN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 3-96 Title: Sharḥ 'l-'ājurrūmiya li'l-millati 'n-nasrāniya

Author: Gregorius Ni'mat (Maṭrān of Damascus)

Date: Not stated; probably 18th century

Apparently a Supercommentary, but no details of the Commentary are given. Excellently planned and executed; divided into 21 'abwāb. Long, detailed Fihrist in folios 4a-5a.

2. Folios 97a-114 Title: Sharḥ qaṣida Labīd al-mu'allaq

Author: Abū 'Abdallāh al-Husain b. Ahmad b. al-Husain az-Zauzanī (d.486/1093)

Date: 1718 A.D.

Brockelmann G.I.343 : S.I.35 .
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This is followed by the final folio of another work on Grammar (this folio dealing with Hamza, Maḍda & Yā'), dated 1718 A.D. in the same hand.

3. Folios 116-151 Title: al-'arab min ghaithi 'l-'adab
 Author: Ṣalāḥaddīn as-Ṣafedī (d.764/1363)
 Date: Not stated: probably 18th century

Brockelmann (G.II.39); S.I.440 : (S.II.27)

This is the Commentary on Mu'ayyid ad-Dīn aṭ-Ṭughrā'ī's "Lāmīyat al-'ajam" and is otherwise known as "al-Ghaithu 'l-Musajjam" or "Ghaithu 'l-'adabi 'lladhī 'nsajam", the last title being mentioned in the MS. The ending is missing.

4. Folios 151a-172 SELECTED GRAMMATICAL EXTRACTS

from works by

- A. ar-Rāhib al-Lubnānī
B. Jamāladdīn Abū Muḥammad 'Abdallāh b.
Yūsuf b. Ahmad b. 'Abdallāh b. Hishām
al-Munṣarī
C. Abū Bakr al-Azdī
D. 'Imād ad-Dīn Abu 'l-Ghaḍā Ismā'īl b. al-
Husain al-Khazraji ash-Shāfi'ī

- E. 'Abdarrahmān b. Muḥammad b. Yūsuf al-
'Alawī
- F. 'A'isha bint Yūsuf b. Aḥmad b. Nāsir
al-Bā'ūniya ad-Dimashqī (cf. Brockelmann
S.II.181 : 381)
- G. ^{29c}Safīaddīn Abū 'l-Barakāt b. 'Abdal'azīz
b. Sarāyā b. 'Alī b. Abī 'l-Qāsim al-
Hillī (cf. ibid. G.II.205 : S.II.199)

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The whole Volume has seemingly been planned as a Grammar and Reader for the use of Christian teachers, missionaries or scholars. The selections of poetry are excellent.

Folios 172, 8 x 5½ in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 25 cm.) in (folios 1-96) clear, bold Naskh, (folios 97-172) in neat, excellent Naskh, vocalized in parts, with many orthographic signs. Headings, rubrics, lemmas in red throughout; a few marginal annotations. Excellently preserved. Bound in dark stained, tooled leather, no flap.

1. Begins: نيتول العبد النقيير المحترف بالخير والتقدير

Ends: ان تبدد ميبا نسد الدلل

2. Begins: عفت الديار منلوا فقاموا ايضا تأبد نولوا فرياموا

Ends: ومطادرتهم ايادى على الاقارب

3. Begins: فاني لما وقفت على كتاب حيث الارب

Ends only at: ويكتب باليا واعرابه لا ننى هناك مبتداً

4. Begins: ققوا نباء المنازل والمعالي ومنتخب المزامير والحوالي

Ends: فان سعدت فمدحى فيا موبه
زان شقيت فذنبى موبه النتم

MS 171 (Psalms)

A COLLECTION OF COLLECTS, PROBABLY FOR USE BY JEWS, OF PHRASES FROM THE PSALMS

In the middle of an otherwise blank MS, brief phrases from various biblical Psalms, each applied to a particular occasion, such as for a sick person, for a crying child, for Festivals, weddings, etc. The numbers given for the Psalms do not tally with the biblical order exactly. Probably 19th century.

Folios 52, 1-27, 43-52 blank, 5 x 3½ in; in single columns of average 10 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, horizontally laid paper (vertical layer to every 27 cm.) in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Headings in black;

no annotations. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Muslim "Bismillāh" in folio 2a. Bound in stout boards, overlaid with decorated blue paper, dark green leather on spine, no flap.

Begins (folio 28): العزموں الاول، اللذى نذلق لحد ينتتر

Ends (folio 42): على خبز مرقوق، واضعمه المرنى

MS 172 (Letter Writing)

WORK ON HOW TO ADDRESS LETTERS PROPERLY

Deals with proper, formal address to Patriarchs, Metropolitans, Priests, Civic Leaders and commoners. From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II).

Folios 13, 1-5, 12-13 blank, $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on good, chalk-surfaced matt paper, in good Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Headings in black; no annotations. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Bound in stiff paper covers, no flap.

Begins (folio 5a): نبتى بعون الله تعالى نكتب ترجمات مؤلفه من احدى الابواب

Ends (folio 11a): ايها الاب المحترم الجزاء الا انى غلبتم ايديكم الدرام والتعاضد
دعائكم الصالح للدوام

MS 173 (Medicine)

THREE WORKS IN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 1-12a Title: Taqwīmu 'l-'ajsām (sic for 'l-'abdān)
Author: Yahyā b. 'Isā al-Baghdādī (d.493/1100)
Date: 1826 A.D.

Brockelmann G.I.6398: S.I.8888.

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II)
and extracted by Yūsuf from the letter part of Yahyā's work.

2. Folios 13-14a EXTRACT FROM KITĀBU 'L-'ANTWĪN

Called "Bayān mā yaltazimu bihi 't-ṭabīb ḥasab ta'rīf
'ulamā'i 'Ch-Ghimma wa-tahdīdi 'sh-sharī'ati 'l-masīhiya"

Gives a list of 13 prerequisites of the physician's
behaviour.

3. Folios 15-17 B.YĀNU 'l-'ALĀMĀTI 'L-JAYYIDA and AL-'ALĀMĀTU
'R-RADIYA

Concerning the state of death, being mainly based on quotations from Hippocrates.

Folios 20, 17a-20 blank, $5\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 16 lines to page, no border. Written on coarse, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to every 27 cm.) in clear Syrian Naskh, sparsely vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Rubrics in black; no annotations. Slightly water-stained. No 'Unwān. Bound in stiff yellow paper covers, no flap.

1. Begins: قد تتون هذه الدراسة على بعض مايج فيما يخص حسن المدارات
Ends: السياق يجعلون التدبير لزموا
2. Begins: قد يلتزم اولاً بان يتون له علم كافى
Ends: قدره ورتبته ومماشه ويرزاه
3. Begins: قال ابقرا - حسنة الذهن في كل مرض
Ends: على عاية الثقة ونى امرال نيعة عبايب

MS 174 (History)

Title: Siḥāhu 'l-'akḥbār fī nasabi 's-sāḍati 'l-fāṭimiyati 'l-'akhyār (sic)

Author: 'Abdallāh Muḥammad Sirājaddīn b. (as-Sayyid)
 'Abdallāh al-Husain ar-Rifā'ī al-Makḥzūmī
 (d.885/1480) (but see further below)

Date: Not stated; probably 18th century

Brockelmann S.II.229 .
 6a

There is a slight difference in the name between the 'Unwān and Brockelmann (loc.cit.). In folio 78a the Imām al-Witrī is said to have claimed that the author of this work was Abu 'l-Ma'ālī Muḥammad Sirājaddīn ar-Rifā'ī al-Makḥzūmī, which name agrees with Brockelmann. The work ends with a short biography of the author.

Folios 79, $9\frac{1}{2}$ x $7\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, off-white, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 27 cm.) in good clear Naskh, unvocalized, with a few orthographic signs. Headings, rubrics and names of rulers in red; no annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Folios loose, without covers. At present contained within blue boards, red leather on spine, with flap.

Begins: نيقول عبيد الله محمد سراج الدين ابن السيد عبد الله الرفاعي ثم المخزومي

Ends: ليبلغ ما يرويه من ذلك الوصل

Ends (Biography): وحشرنا محزون تحت لواء النبي الامين

MS 175 (Prosody)

Title: Miftāhu 'l-'arūd (part of Miftāhu 'l-'ulūm)

Author: Sirājaddīn Abū Ya'qūb Yūsuf b. Abī Bakr as-Sakkākī (d.626/1229)

Date: 1270/1854

Broeckelmann G.I.352 : S.I.515
16.I 16.I

This is from the end of "Miftāhu 'l-'ulūm" and is complete.

Folios 24, 10 x 7½ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on thin, waxed, vertically-laid paper in Persian Naskh (not quite Ta'liq), unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Metrical forms overlined in black. Headings in large black letters and indicated also in margins. A few annotations. Some worm-holes in margins. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Bound in red leather-covered boards, marbled paper on covers, no flap.

Begins:

الثن الاول من تتمه الفرض من علم الثاني

Ends:

وانت كرم مانصف كيد، كسر شوكت العيب

MS 176 (Tafsīr)

Title: 'anwāru 't-tanzīl wa-'asrāru 't-ta'wīl

Author: Abū Sa'īd 'Abdallāh b. 'Umar Nāsiraddīn al-Baidawī (d.685/1286)

Date: Not stated; probably 17th century

Brockelmann G.I.530 : S.I.738
25.I 27.I

Part II of the Commentary, beginning at Sūrat al-Kahf
(as MS 141, Fascicle III).

Folios 217, $11\frac{1}{2}$ x $7\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 29 lines to page, within a border of green, gold and black lines, $9\frac{1}{2}$ x $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. Written on thin, off-white matt paper in clear Syrian Naskh, with many vowel- and orthographic signs. Quranic text in red. Extensive marginal and interlinear glosses by Abū 'l-Laith and others. Full Fihrist in folio 1. No 'Unwān. Paginated in Arabic from folio 334. Decorated "Bismillāh" in blue, rose, gold and white in folio 1a. Bound in green cloth covers, with flap.

Begins (Commentary):

فان اعظم العلم مقدرا وارفعها شرفا ومنازا

Ends:

ونو سب اعه متيق بان يستحق رعا الرايين تهنيئا

MS 177 (History)

HISTORICAL NOTES ON THE MELCHITES AND MARONITES

by Patriarch Paul of Antioch

The Patriarch, writing in 1862 A.D., was Baulus Butrus Mas'ad, formerly Archbishop of Tarsus. The notes on the Melchites are meagre, especially for the early period. The work is apparently partly a polemic against the Melchites (from the Maronite point of view).

Folios 18, 6 x 4 in; in single columns of 18 lines to page, no border. Written on good, chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper in good clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. No 'Unwān. Section headings in large characters in black; no annotations. Folios sewn into white paper covers, no flap.

Begins: (ش) ويميز في فصلين احدهما في الملية والاخر في العرانة

Ends: من التاريخ النابسي للاباقي بالما المطبق لاتينياً في رومية ١٨٣٩

MS 178 (Topography & Sociology)

Title: Fī taqsīm jebal lubnān wa-ḥāleti 'l-ḥukkām
wa-'awā'idihim, wa-maḥāhibi 'l-maujūda fīhi

Author: Not stated

Date: Not stated; 19th century

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), it deals with the life and people on Mount Lebanon, their religious differences, population statistics, customs, administration of areas, etc. An excellent composition, unhappily missing some folios at the end. This work is the subject of a M.A. Dissertation of the University of Leeds, in preparation by A.J.P. Lockyer, entitled: "A critical investigation and translation of an unpublished Arabic work (...title...)", to be concluded in 1960. It was probably written by a Maronite priest or monk.

Folios 16, $8\frac{3}{4}$ x $6\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on strong, chalk-surfaced matt paper in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Rubrics in large black letters; no annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 13. Complete list of the 45 divisions of the mountain appended at the end. Folios loose within white paper covers, no flap.

Begins:

ان جيل الدروز ينقسم الى مقاطعات عديدة

Ends only at:

اي الذين ستروا كلمة التوحيد بنخيردا وان الحاكم ظفر

MS 179 (Interpretation of Dreams)

Title: Ta'wīlu 'l-'ahādīth (but see below)

Author: Not stated; but see below

Date: Not stated; probably 17th century

This work, incomplete at both ends, is from the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II). It is possible that it is part of Muḥammad b. Sīrīn's (d.110/728) "al-Jawāmi'" - Brockelmann G.I.65₂: S.I.102₂. It is clearly an old work and covers the dreams occurring in the Qur'ān.

Folios 11, 8¹/₂ x 5³/₄ in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper of 17th century Oriental type, in clear scholar's Naskh, partly vocalized and with some orthographic signs. Rubrics and headings in red; no annotations. Water-stained, many marginal repairs, affecting beginning and ending.

Begins only at: وسلم الرويا المادقة جنو من ستة واربعين جزا

Ends only at: فان خدمت دورا أو قلعت أشجارا أو أدلت شيا من الحيوانات
النافعة ونحو ذلك فعدو وأمرأت أو ويا أو طاعن أو ظم من الاكابر
أو حرائج

MS 180 (Hacīth)

Title: Mashāriqu 'l-'anwārī 'n-nabawīya min sihāhi
'l-'akhbāri 'l-muṣṭafawīya

Author: al-Ḥasan b. Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan aṣ-Ṣaghānī
(d.650/1252)

Date: 1151/1738

Brockelmann G.I.443 : S.I.613
21 21.I

This collection of traditions from older sources is heavily glossed between the lines and in the margins, particularly in the early folios.

Folios 123, 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 13 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, horizontally-laid paper in scholar's Naskh, vocalized and with the orthographic signs. Rubrics and first letter of older collectors' names in red. Annotations and glosses in small, neat Naskh. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. margins. No 'Unwān.

Folios loose within leather-covered boards, marbled paper on covers, leather on spine cracking, no flap.

Begins (after long description): ناني مذ ندجت مراقي الشرف وتحرجت من مساتي
السرف

Ends: الحمد على التمام ورسوله الصلوة والسلام

MS 181 (Medicine)

Title: Mukhtasaru 'l-kāfī (or) kitābu 'sh-shābūrī
'l-jalīl

Author: Not stated

Date: Not stated; probably 19th century

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), covers a wide range of disorders and diseases. Arranged in encyclopedic manner, deals in turn with the symptom, the cause and the treatment. There is a full Fihrist in folio 1.

Folios 60, 57a-60 blank, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of average 24 lines to page, no border. Written on vertically-laid paper of unusually widely separated layers, in inelegant Ruq'a, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics and the headings 'arḍ, sabab and 'ilāj in red; a few annotations in margins. No proper 'Unwān

First title appears in the flyleaf, second in folio 2 with Yūsuf's seal. No Colophon. Bound in stiff boards, covers overlaid with green paper, red leather on spine, no flap.

Begins: دا التحاب ودا الحية يتبع هذين الدائين ذهاب الشعر من الرأس

Ends (folio 57): الصعتر الشراب والادوية معروفة

MS 182 (Medicine)

NOTES ON MATERIAL MEDICA

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), an early 19th century work dealing with various medical treatments. An early 19th century Fihrist in another hand was added at the end of the work, and a late 19th century addition was made to the original one, supplying a missing folio at the beginning. There are four early 19th century blank folios between the now completed Fihrist and the beginning of the work. There are now two complete Fihrists. In 148 sections.

Folios 54, $4\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of average 15 lines to page, no border. Written on stout, vertically-laid paper (horiz-

ontal layer to the inch), except folios 1-2, 5-8, which are chalky matt paper, in inelegant Syrian Mash, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Headings in red; no annotations. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Bound in brown, tooled leather-covered boards, red leather on spine, decorated blue paper on corners of covers, with flap overlaid with marbled paper.

Begins (folio. 9):

عمل اكسير جيد ضد شرر جنطيانا

Ends (before 2nd Fihrist):

بعد العلق دونا خلاصة الجوسكيا مرهم بسيط

MS 183 (Medicine)

Title: "al-Kāfī mukhtaṣar"

Author: Amīn ad-Daula Abi 'l-Faraj b. at-Tilmīḥ
(i.e. Hibatallāh b. Sā'id b. at-Tilmīḥ b.
Salāma (c.560/1165)

Date: Not stated; probably late 18th or early 19th
century

Brockelmann G.I.225₂: 269₁: 642₁₈: S.I.891₁₈.

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II),
this is presumably the same as "al-'Asās" referred to by Brockel-

mann in the first reference above. It has no connection with MS 181 of similar title; it is complete.

Folios 20, $8\frac{1}{4}$ x 6 in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on poor quality matt paper, watermarked, with horizontal layer to the inch, in clear bold Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, with no orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; no annotations. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1a. Slightly water-stained. Bound in pale green, stiff paper covers, no flap.

Begins: (اول ذلك) داء التعلب . هو انتشار الشر وعدم نباته سببه الاغدية

Ends: فما يكمل السنة الا ويشفا ولا يرجع هذا النوع اليه قط

MS 184 (Symbolism)

A TRACT ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF VARIOUS SYMBOLS

Dated 1217/1802

In two parts, folios 1-6 deal with earthly symbols including the Qur'ān and the Cross, and heavenly or astral symbols. Folios 6a-12 contain the story of the daughter of the Emperor Hercules.

Folios 12, $6 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 15 lines to page, no

border. Written on chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to every 28 cm.), in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in black; no annotations. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Bound in pale green paper covers, no flap.

Begins:

النوا للدم الصفر للنار البلغم للما

Ends:

يقع بالهلاك صفة الشياطين الى ابد الابد

MS 185 (Magic)

A COLLECTION OF TRACTS ON VARIOUS BRANCHES OF MAGIC

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), a collection of short treatises on various magical topics such as the science of letters, astrology, numerology, etc., of the 19th century in various hands.

Folios 30, $6\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. (folios 1-21) and $6\frac{1}{4}$ x 4 in. (folios 22-30), in single columns of 19 (folios 1-21), average 17 (folios 22-30) lines to page, no border. Written on various kinds of paper in several Naskhī hands, partly vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Rubrics in red or black; no annotations. No 'Unwāns or Colophons.

Bound in yellow paper covers, no flap.

Begins: انه لما تميزت الاحكام ورجعت الاقلام واراد الباري

Ends: نونوا واسم كلبيهم قدليم

MS 186 (Geomancy)

Title: "'ilmu 'r-raml"

Author: Not stated.

Date: Not stated; probably 19th century

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), an incomplete work completed by another scribe on smaller paper; ends with tables of the various 'lucky forms'. The added portion deals with numerological symbolism.

Folios 20, 10-12 blank, 7 x 4½ in. (folios 1-9, 18-20) and 5½ x 3½ in. (folios 10-17), in single columns of 16 lines to page, no border. Written on (folios 1-9, 18-20) off-white matt paper, (folios 10-17) chalk-surfaced matt paper, in excellent Kash, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Headings and section titles in black; no annotations. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Folios loose within white paper covers, 8¼ x 4¾ in., no flap.

Begins: كتاب بعلم الرمل وفيه كلما يسأل الطالب من خير وشر

Ends with الأشكال الثابتة and geomantic symbols.

MS. 187 (Medicine)

Title: Kitābu 'r-rahma fi 't-tibb wa'l-hikma

Author: Muḥammad b. 'Alī b. Ibrāhīm as-Sanaubarī (d. 815/1412)

Date: Not stated; part 18th, mostly early 19th century

Brockelmann G.II.242₇ : S.II.252₇.

According to a previous cataloguer's note, the British Museum has a copy (ADD.9599) not recorded by Brockelmann. The work ends at folio 104a, whereafter in folio 110a there is an additional tract in the same hand entitled:- *صفة عمل أكسير الحياة للعلم لاوندروس* which ends in folio 114a. In folio 115a there is a further tract entitled "Sīfa ma'jūn", the pages of which, after the first, are much older and are clearly extracted from a larger work. From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II).

Folios 130, 6 x 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 15 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper (vert-

ical layer to every 27 cm.), but folios 116-130 of coarser fibre with vertical layer to every 32 cm. and much water-stained; in bold, large Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics and sub-headings in red in first 55 folios only; no annotations. No 'Unwān. Bound in stiff boards overlaid with pale green paper, brown leather on spine, no flap.

Begins:

فحص قد ولفه في علم الطب ومدويت امراضه

Ends (folio 104a):

ويقطر في الاذن يبرا باذن الله تعالى

1st Tract begins:

اعلم انه يستعمل في كل شيء وهو فريد عجيب

ends:

والاكرم من العلايق اجمعين الى ابد الابد

2nd Tract begins:

نافع لجميع الامراض والى الخضم

ends:

فدو نافع مجرب باذن الله تعالى

MS 188 (Biology, Medicine, Chemistry)

A COLLECTION OF BIOLOGICAL & MEDICAL TRACTS

of the late 18th & early 19th centuries.

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II), several complete and incomplete studies. 1. Folios 1-6: on worms, how they live, their types, and how they die, and various associated illnesses. 2. Folios 7-13: on various ailments which are classified according to cause. 3. Folios 14-19a: on various chemicals used in treatments (incomplete at both ends). 4. Folios 20-28: a work on the juices extracted from various substances and living creatures, complete with detailed charts. 5. Folios 29-33: on the seasons and plants that come to fruition therein.

Folios 33, $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 in; in single columns of average 20 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 27 cm.) in various Naskhī hands, unvocalized, with some orthographic signs. Headings and sub-titles in red, except in folios 29-33 where they are overlined in red. No annotations, 'Unwāns or Colophons. Bound in yellow paper, no flap.

1. Begins: ان سبب الدود البعید هو ما یعمل اخلاط فجه
Ends: صفة لقطع السعال بولاد ومرجان فہما یقبضان و یجریان العذر
2. Begins: خذ من روح الخمر لیبرتین مستکہ نقیہ و ... کل واحد
Ends: ونوم وبالبا یكون راسہ ثقیل وہ وج ...

3. Begins only at: مع ما سافراسيا . او ما شب

Ends only at: سيما لاجل امراض النساء والحلا منه نقطه ٦

4. Begins نكتب بحونه تعالى وحسن وصفاة مجمع بعض نسخ من المجربات

Ends with charts.

5. Begins only at: قن الايل خد منه ١ بما بار

Ends: لما دخل الشمس في برج الجدى الى ٢٢ من اذار يكن الشتا

MS 189 (Law)

Title: Masāliku 'l-'afhām 'ilā tanqīh sharā'i'i 'l-'islām

Author: Zainadīn b. 'Alī b. Ahmad ash-Shāmī al-'Amīlī
ash-Shahīd ath-Thānī (d.966/1558)

Date: 1173/1759

Brockelmann G.I.515_{4.Ia}; G.II.425_{I.5}; S.I.711_{4a};

(S.II.449_I).

Part II of his Commentary on Najmadīn Ja'far b. Sa'īd

al-Hillī's work on Shī'ite Law, "Sharā'i'u 'l-'islām" - Brockelmann G.I.514₄: S.I.711₄.

Folios 315, 10 x 7½ in; in single columns of 31 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed matt paper in small Nasta'liq, unvocalized, with some orthographic signs. Lemmas overlined in red, rubrics in red; a few marginal annotations. Fihrist in folio 1. 'Unwān in folio 1 states wrongly that it is Part II of "Sharā'i'u 'l-'islām". Bound in red leather-covered boards, no flap.

Begins: (كتاب الطلاق) الطلاق لغة حل القيد ويطلق على الارسال والترك
يقال ناقة طالق اي مرسله
Ends: والحمد لله حمد الشاكرين والصلوة على سيد المرسلين محمد وآله وصحبه
ابجمعين

MS 190 (Maqāmāt)

THREE ASSOCIATED WORKS IN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 3a-173a Title: Maqāmāt
 Author: Abū Muhammad al-Qāsim b. 'Alī b.
 Muhammad al-Harīrī (d.516/1122)
 Copyist: Muhammad b. 'Uthmān al-Qanūmī
 Date: 1136/1723

Brockelmann G.I.325: S.I.486₄.

The complete Sessions. The MS begins with a 2-folio biography of al-Ḥarīrī extracted from Ibn Khallikān. Folios 3a-17a (Maqāmāt 1-6) have extensive marginal glosses by Abu 'l-'Abbās Aḥmad b. 'Abdalmu'min al-Qaisī ash-Sharīshī (d.619/1227) and Mazharaddīn (for both see Brockelmann loc.cit.).

2. Folios 174-182a: Title: Risālatu 'r-rub' 'l-mujaiyab
 Author: Not stated
 Copyist: Muḥammad b. 'Uthmān al-Qanūnī
 Date: 1136/1723

3. Folios 183a-188 Another RISĀLA, apparently entitled "ar-Risāla fi 's-sab'i 'r-rabī'".

Folios 197, 189-197 blank, $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 in; in single columns of (1) 17, (2) 21, (3) 23 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every (average) 27 cm.) in (1 & 3) excellent, calligraphic Naskh, (2) in small cursive Naskh, (1) fully vocalized with all orthographic signs, (2 & 3) unvocalized, no orthographic signs. $2\frac{3}{4}$ in. margins. In addition to the glosses there are some marginal and interlinear annotations. Rubrics and sub-headings in magenta (1), mauve (2), red (3). No 'Unwāns. Bound in black, leather-covered boards, with tooled

medallia in gold and green, with flap. Covers broken away from spine. Excellently preserved.

1. Begins: اللّٰهُمَّ اِنَّا نَعْمَدُكَ عَلَى مَا عَلَّمْتَ مِنَ الْبَيَانِ
Ends: وَوَلَّى الْخَيْرَاتِ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ
2. Begins: فِهْرُهُ مَقْدَمَةٌ مُّنتَصَرَةٌ فِي مَحْرَفَةِ اسْتِخْرَاجِ
Ends: فَانْ قَطَعَ الْمَرْءُ مِنْهُ مِثْلَ ذَلِكَ الْعَدَدِ فَهُوَ صَحِيحٌ
3. Begins: فَدُونَكَ عَقْدًا اَيْنَمَا وَبِالنَّظَرِ يَلِيقُ يَنْفَعُ
Ends: لِأَنَّهُ الرِّيحُ الْمَزَادُ بَقِيَ اَرْبَعَةٌ وَهِيَ الْمَطْلُوبُ الْمَقْصُودُ

MS 191 (Astronomy)

Title: *Sharḥ taḥkīra* (for *Sharḥ 't-taḥkīrati 'n-nāṣiriya?*)

Author: *Nizāmaddin al-Ḥasan b. Muḥammad b. al-Ḥusain al-Qummī an-Nisābūrī* (fl. 8th/14th century)

Date: 1082/1671

Brockelmann G.II.256₂; S.II.273_{2a.4}.

The complete work with the glosses of 'Abd al-'ālī b. Muḥammad

al-Husain al-Barjandī (fl.ca.930/1523). Brockelmann records only one other copy of an-Nīsābūrī's work. A later 'Unwān pasted on the front cover gives the title "Taḥkīra fī ḥisāb". Excellently drawn mathematical and astronomical figures. Persian introduction in folio 1.

Folios 188, 9 x 5½ in; in single columns of 20 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, matt paper in small Persian Ta'liq, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; qāla and 'aḡūlu in red. Some marginal and interlinear annotations in addition to the glosses. 2½ in. margins. No proper 'Unwān. Mathematical and astronomical designs in red or black and red. Worm holes damage text in places; otherwise well preserved. Bound in strong brown leather-covered boards with tooled medallia, magenta leather on spine, with flap.

Begins: اشتهر من نيلايه ني الفن اشتداز الشمس ني كبد السماء

Ends: عبد الرحيم بن الحسن عف عنهما وستر عيوبهما في من الزند الجزير
لولية والصلوة على نبي

MS 192 (Poetry & Letters)

SEVERAL WORKS IN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 5a-112: Title: Raiḥānātu 'l-'alibbā' wa-nuzḥātu 'l-hayāti 'ā-dunyā

Author: Ahmad b. Muhammad b. 'Umar Shihābaddīn
al-Khafājī (d.1069/1659)

Date: Not stated; probably early 19th century

Brockelmann G.II.368_{9.7}; S.II.396₁₀.

2. Folios 112a-207 A NUMBER OF QASĪDAS, RISĀLAS & APHORISMS
by various authors

The poets include Sa'addīn b. Hasan Khān, at-Tālawī,
'Abdalbāqī Effendī 'Umar Yazārah, Tāj al-Udabā' as-Sa'id as-Safādī,
al-Fārūqī 'Abdalbāqī Effendī, 'Abdallāh Effendī al-Khidrāwī al-Fiyāḍ
al-Mausilī, etc. There is a Takhmīs by Muhammad Amin al-'Umarī;
there are Risālas by Ibn Zaidūn, Muhyiddīn b. 'Abdallāh b. Tāhir,
and a letter to the Sharīf of Mecca composed for 'Alī Pāshā,
Governor of Iraq, by Mahmūd Effendī Ālūsī. This last may be the
same as Abu 'th-Thanā 'Shihābaddīn Mahmūd b. 'Abdallāh al-Ālūsī of
Baghdād (Brockelmann S.II.785₇).

Folios 282, 185-195 & 208-264 blank, 8½ x 5½ in; in single columns
of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on thin matt paper of sever-
al colours, in neat Turkish Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic
signs. Folios of white, pink, blue, lilac, green, yellow, cream &
purple. Headings and titles in black; no annotations. No 'Unwān

for the volume. Bound in tooled, red Morocco leather, no flap, with leather clasps & thongs for fastening.

1. Begins:

حمدا لمن سرج عيون البصائر في رياض النعم

Ends (folio 112):

وصرف بيد نقاد النية زوفه والسلام

MS 193 (History)

Title: al-Kāmil fi 't-ta'rīkh

Author: Abu 'l-Hasan 'Alī b. Abi 'l-Karam Athīraddīn
Muḥammad b. Muḥammad b. 'Abdalkarīm 'Izzaddīn
Muḥammad b. al-Athīr (d.630/1233)

Copyist: Muḥammad Riḍā

Date: 1285/1868

Brockelmann G.I.422_{10.I}: S.I.588_{10.I}.

A volume from a series, it covers the period 70/689 to 132/750. It is possible that there are a few lacunae where space has been left in a few places.

Folios 318, 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed matt paper in excellent scholar's (Persian)

Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; no annotations. No 'Unwān or note of volume number. Bound in brown leather-covered boards, tooled medallia on covers, no flap.

Begins: ذكر مقتل عمير ابن الحباب بن جعدة السلمي

Ends: من مسكار عبد الله بن علي ... عبد الله بن علي البخاري

MS 194 (Encyclopedia)

Title: al-Mustatraf fī kull fann mustazraf

Author: Muḥammad b. Aḥmad al-Khaṭīb al-Iḥshīhī
(c. ca. 850/1446)

Date: 1216/1801

Brockelmann G.II.68_{8.I}; S.II.56_{10.I}

The complete work of 84 chapters, with a full list in English and Arabic of all the subjects, prefixed to folio 1 on blue paper.

Folios 353, 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 8 in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on blue or white chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to every 27 cm.), in clear bold Naskh, unvocalized, with some orthographic signs. Subject headings in

red; no annotations. Six blue sheets prefixed and three appended. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Bound in very stout brown leather-covered boards, tooled mādallia (gilt) on covers, with flap.

Begins: فقد رایت جماعة من ذوی الهم جمعوا اشیا كثيرة من الاداب والحکم

Ends: وسلام علی المرسلین والحمد لله رب العالمین

MS 195 (Prayers)

A COLLECTION OF PRIVATE PRAYERS

These are mainly prayers for Muḥammad and his family, etc. From the St. Augustine Library, Canterbury, probably of the late 18th or early 19th century.

Folios 37, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 18 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed matt paper in inelegant Maghribī, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. As is common in such MSS many words or parts of words are ringed in red, and allahuma thickly underlined in red. No 'Unwān, Colophon or headings. Drawings of prayer mats, etc., in folio 6. Portions of incunabula bound into the covers. Bound in marbled boards, brown leather on spine broken, no flap.

Covers separated at spine.

Begins: (بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ) وَصَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى نَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ

Ends: وَسَلَامٌ عَلَى الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

MS 196 (Law)

AN UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON A WORK ON FIQH

This work on Shāfi'ite Law, with beginning and ending missing, has a large number of marginal glosses. These are identified as by Ibn Hajar, 'Abdalbarr, ad-Danirī & Shabrāmallisī. There are references also to the "Hāshiya" and to "Sharḥ qurrati 'l-'ain". The glosses of 'Abdalbarr are probably from "Sharḥ nazmi 'l-muwāfaqāti 'l-'umariya li'l-qur'āni 'sh-sharīf" by 'Abdalbarr b. Muḥammad b. Muḥammad ash-Shihna al-Hanafī (d.921/1515) - Brockelmann S.II.94^{27.8}. The "Hāshiya" is apparently by the author of the work himself.

Another work frequently referred to is "Fatḥu 'l-jawād", which is likely to be the work entitled "Fatḥu 'l-jawād fī sharḥi 'l-'irshād", by Ibn Hajar al-Haitamī (d.973/1565) - Brockelmann (G.II.508-11): S.I.679^{29.emt.3}

"Sharḥ qurrati 'l-'ain" probably has reference to a Commentary

on Ibn Hajar's "Qurratu 'l-'ain bi-bayān 'anna 't-Tabarru' lā yubṭiluhu 'ā-Cain" (ibid.G.II.509₂₃). Ash-Shabrānallīsī is probably 'Alī b. 'Alī ash-Shabrānallīsī who wrote a commentary on Ibn Hajar's "'ashrafu 'l-ma'ākhl" (ibid.G.II.510₃₂: S.II.529₅₀).

Folios 274, 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to every 28 cm.) in small, clear Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Lemmas in magenta; some marginal annotations and a few corrections in addition to glosses. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Glosses in neat Naskh. Bound in deep rose marbled boards, orange cloth on spine, no flap.

Begins only at:

على جرة التبديل سوا تعلق بالفضائل ام بالفواضل

Ends only at (Lemma):

او اخذ اعدادن معه (في المنبر)

MS 197 (Astrology)

Title: Ma'rifatū 'l-menāzil wa-'ashkālihim wa-

'asmā'ihim bi-tanāmihim

Author: Not stated.

Date: 1248/1832

From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see on MS 58, Fascicle II),

Deals with the names and positions of groups of stars within certain constellations, the signification of certain conjunctions in terms of earthly events. Complete with many charts and lists. Awkward spelling in title not reproduced within the work. A list of Sultans and their Dates of office (from 1168 to 1253) was added probably five years after the writing of the MS.

Folios 46, 1-7 blank, 6 x 4 in; in single columns of average 17 lines to page, no border. Written on good, chalk-surfaced matt paper in bold Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in red or black; no annotations. Ink shows through paper in early folios. Figures and drawings well executed in black ink. Simple 'Unwān in black in folio 8. Bound in pale-green boards, red leather on spine and corners of covers, no flap.

Begins (folio 8): منازل سيرها بالمنطقة منسوبة في شالوا متفق

Ends: وفرانسا في سنة ٦٣ في شذر الحجة ... القيل شذر ٨٨ يميز
مجمع النصارى

MS 198 (Hacīth, Law)

AN UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON A WORK ON LAW

Deals with traditions on the Duties of Muslims, chiefly in

regard to worship and religious duties generally. Ibn Hajar is quoted frequently in the Commentary. There are substantial marginal glosses in various hands. There are frequent glosses from a work simply entitled "Rauḍ". The glosses attributed simply to Dairabī may refer to one of Ahmad b. 'Umar ad-Dairabī's works - Brockelmann G.II.421₂₁. Glosses with 'amdāc appended may refer to "al-amdāc wa'l-'artāl" by al-Majlisī - ibid. S.II.573₈. Dated 1002/1593.

t least one folio is missing from the beginning.

Folios 264, 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 8 in; in single columns of 30 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, horizontally-laid paper (with irregular vertical layers) in excellent scholar's Naskh, unvocalized for the most part, with many orthographic signs. Headings in red, rubrics in large black letters, lemmas overlined in black or red; some marginal annotations in addition to glosses. Glosses in various Naskhī hands. Damp-stained towards end and some margins repaired. No 'Unwān. Bound in red leather-covered boards, with tooled designs on covers, no flap. Spine cracking. An excellently preserved MS.

Begins only at: الخبر اولى ان افضل من غيره نالم يرد اشيع الشان عليه

Ends: ما يتعلق بربيع الخبائات والله اعلم بالصواب واليه المرجع بالآب

MS 199 (Dictionary)

Title: Mukhtāru 's-ṣiḥāḥ

Author: Muḥammad b. Abī Bakr b. 'Abd alqādir ar-Rāzī
(fl. 7th/13th century)

Copyist: Yūsuf b. 'Isā al-Manāshirī

Date: Not stated; probably 17th century

Brockelmann (G.I.478₅₀): S.I.659_{50.3}.

Ar-Rāzī's abridgement of "aṣ-Ṣiḥāḥ" by Abū Naṣr Ismā'īl
b. Ḥammād al-Jauharī's "Tāju 'l-luḡa wa-ṣiḥāḥu 'l-'arabiya" -
Brockelmann G.I.133_{3.I}: S.I.196_{3.I}.

Extensive marginal glosses include the following:-
quotations from the "Qāmūs" of al-Firūzabādī, from a work of Ahmad
b. Khrā' al-Ḥamawī al-Qādirī in "Kitābu 'l-'i'tisām", from al-
'Aḥnī's "Umdatu 'l-qārī' fī sharḥi 'l-Bukhārī" (ibid.G.II.66),
and many others.

Folios 251, 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in; in single columns of 21 lines to page,
no border. Written on waxed, horizontally-laid paper (vertical
layer to every 30 cm.) in bold Egyptian Naskh, mainly unvocalized,
with some orthographic signs. Rubrics and words of dictionary in
red; many annotations in margins and between lines, in addition
to many glosses in various Naskhī & Ta'liqī hands. No 'Unwān.

Many repairs to margins, causing loss of text, and some water-stains. Miscellaneous material on last folio. Bound in brown leather-covered boards, covers overlaid with green (now badly stained) paper, with flap. Statement of former ownership in folio 1 dated A.H.1143.

Begins: قال العبد الفقير الى رحمة ربه ومنقرته محمد بن ابي بكر بن عبد التادر
الرازي

Ends: على ولا زال مزار دعائنا التظلم

MS 200 (Law)

AN UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON A WORK ON LAW

Dated 851/1447

The Commentary is apparently by ʿAbd al-Ilyās and contains many marginal glosses, including those of ash-Shummūnī (d.872/1468); his work was "Sharḥ 'n-Nuqāya" - Brockelmann G.II.99₂₀; (S.II.93₂₀). The MS was written eleven years before his death. Glosses of ʿAbu 'l-Makārim b. 'Alī Ahmad b. Muṣṭafī al-Aẓẓā'ī (d.663/1267) are frequent; the relevant work is probably his "al-'arba'ūna 'l-mukhtāra fī fadli 'l-ḥajj wa'z-ziyāra" - ibid.G.I.458₁₂. Other glossators referred to are al-'Aṣnī, al-Hillī and al-Barjandī; and there are extracts from "al-Hidāya", "al-Mukhtār", "Sharḥ 'l-Wiqāya", "aṣ-Ṣiḥāḥ" by al-Jauharī, and "al-Mashrūḥ".

Folios 174, 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no

border. Written on waxed, matt paper (wax now much worn off) in bold Ta'liq, unvocalized, with a few orthographic signs. Lemmas overlined in black or black and red; interlinear and marginal annotations in an early Naskhī hand. Glosses in various hands, mainly Ta'liq and Naskh. 3 in. margins; edges of pages water-stained. Sheets from very old MSS laid side by side to form flyleaves at beginning and end. Bound in blue cloth-covered wicker boards, no flap.

Begins only at:

تول الايجاب، والقبول، زن البيع فان قيل لا نسلمه ان

Ends:

من ظلم شد در الحک عبد العباس بن زاید

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